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RE: Patent Application 10/716,064 Election/Restriction

In the Office Action from Daniel C. Stephenson, dated 11/03/2005, I was directed to RESTRICT my Claim 24 because it was in Class 138, subclass 96T ("Pipe Thread Protetors"),

instead of the Main Invention Class 166, subclass 57 ("downhole flow control apparatus").

To that effect, I, hereby, wish to cancel my Claim 24.

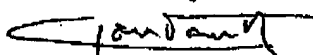
Please, tell me which USPTO Form, if any, is to be used for this correction.

From my Phone conversation with Examiner Stephenson, I understand that the Disclosre may NOT be corrected, in any way, to remove ANY of the paragraphs, or drawing, which mention, or are related, to Pipe Thread Protectors. Their use IS, indeed, NOT ESSENTIAL to the construction or operation of my "downhole flow control apparatus".

Please confirm that this understanding is correct.

Thank you for your Assistance,

Sincerely


Michel Gondouin

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